

William Fraser, Agent to the Governor-General of India and Commissioner of the Public Treasury was a professionalist, within a few yards of his own Residence on Monday morning the 22^d March 1858. Sent to Court, & killed when returning from a visit of ceremony to Maha Rajah Kulluan Singh Chief of Westward, then residing in our City.

The act was committed by one Harrison Whor, noted as an excellent workman and employed by the Naval Ordnance Store of Fort St. George for this very purpose.

The Afghan rode up on the rear of his victim and when nearly in a line discharged the contents of his Carbine into the right side. Death instant by ensued. Mr. Fraser having passed quite through the body while his other's perforated as far as the outer skin of the opposite side.

Harrison Whor was executed on the 28th instant following and the Court on the 1st of the following month and never was the Court of Honour more signally distinguished than on the means bestowed to the Local Officers of Government in avenging this heinous deed of Villainy.

The Remains of this estimable and deeply lamented individual were at first interred in the British ground within the City but subsequently removed to within the Area surrounding St. James Church by the old and faithful Friends of the deceased Colonel James Skinner C.B. by whom also was erected this suitable Monument.

Sergeant to the Governor-General, William Fraser, in the year 1816, accompanied the Army under the Command of the late Major-General Sir Robert Clarke Collespie R. C. B. destined to act against the Well Fort of Katsanga.

Though employed merely in a civil capacity he volunteered and was most forward on both the successful attacks on the Fort, and in both instances was severely wounded. In the first of these, the Major-General fell, in the second Colonel Braucher of H. B. S. Commanded, and although a Retreat had been made it was possible to carry the place by assault, it was subsequently evacuated.

The most noble the Marquis of Hastings R. C. B. Governor-General and Commander in Chief in India soon afterwards conferred on William Fraser the Local Rank of Major in the Local Regiment of Artillery Horse, commanded by his truly sincere and excellent Friend Colonel James Skinner C. B. and in virtue of his commission he was present with his Regiment at the memorable Siege of Chertsey in 1826, and indeed struck the first blow, having been detached in advance of the Army to prevent the Enemy from falling the Detach of the Fort from an adjoining Lake. He successfully carried out his orders but was slightly wounded in the skirmish.

Peace having resulted from the glorious success of our Arms at Chertsey, Fraser had no further opportunity of displaying that daring, Sanguine and other Characteristics of Character, which render his Services & Exploits taken from the East End of his Tomb, most truly appropriate.